

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims: 1-27 and 32-58

Rewrite the pending claims and add new claims as follows:

28. (currently amended): A method of mounting a hinge comprising:

with a positioning tool, aligning and spacing a first base in a mounting position from a mount assembly that is configured for [[a]] connecting a second hinge member to a second hinged object, the first base being configured for mounting a first hinge member thereto; attaching the first base in the mounting position to a first hinged object; and aligning and mounting to the first base the first hinge member that is pivotally connected to the second hinge member.

29. (original): The method of claim 28, further comprising attaching the mount assembly to the second hinged object.

30. (original): The method of claim 29, further comprising aligning and mounting to the mount assembly the second hinged member.

31. (original): The method of claim 28, further comprising:

mounting the first and second hinge members respectively to the first base and mount assembly to position the first base and mount assembly at a mounted distance with respect to each other;

wherein the aligning and spacing comprises spacing the first base with respect to the mount assembly at a tool distance that is different than the mounted distance.

59. (new): The method of claim 28, wherein the mount assembly comprises a second base.

60. (new): A method of mounting a hinge comprising:

(a) providing a hinge comprising:

a first elongated mounting base having a length and two longitudinally extending lateral sides for mounting a hinge member to the first base, the first base attachable to a first hinged object;

a first hinge member configured to engage the two lateral sides of the first base;

a second hinge member pivotally connected to the first hinge member, and

at least one first locking member associated with the first hinge member for

locking the first hinge member to the first base in a plurality of mounted positions, the first locking member engaging one of the lateral sides of the first base to lock the first

hinge member to the first base, the first locking member movable from a locked position for locking the first hinge member to the first base to an unlocked position for releasing the first hinge member from the first mounting base;

(b) mounting the first base to the first hinged object;

(c) placing the first hinge member against the first base; and

(d) engaging the first locking member of the first hinge member with one of the lateral sides of the first base, thereby locking the first hinge member to the first base.

61. (new): The method of claim 60, wherein the first locking member comprises a set screw, the step of engaging the first locking member with the first base further comprising tightening the set screw against one of the lateral sides of the first base.

62. (new): The method of claim 60, further comprising the hinge comprising a second elongated mounting base having a length and two longitudinally extending lateral sides for mounting the second hinge member to the second base, the second base attachable to a second hinged object, and further comprising the step of mounting the second base to the second hinged object.

63. (new): The method of claim 62, further comprising at least a second locking member associated with the second hinge member for locking the second hinge member to the second base, and further comprising the steps of placing the second hinge member against the second base and engaging the second locking member with one of the lateral sides of the second base, thereby locking the second hinge member to the second base.

64. (new): The method of claim 60, further comprising at least one of the lateral sides of the first mounting base having a fastening surface and the first hinge member having an inwardly curved hook, wherein placing the first hinge member against the first base includes hooking the curved hook of first hinge member against the fastening surface of the first base.

65. (new): The method of claim 64, further comprising the step of rotating the hooked first hinge member against the first base prior to locking the first hinge member to the first base.

66. (new): The method of claim 60, wherein the first hinged object is a door or a door frame.

67. (new): A method of mounting a hinge comprising:

(a) providing a hinge-mounting positioning tool comprising:

a first base positioner configured and adapted for receiving a first hinge mounting base, the first base for mounting to a first hinged object;

a detachable second base positioner configured and adapted for receiving a second hinge mounting base, the second base for mounting to a second hinged object; and

a connecting means for releaseably holding the first and second mounting base positioners together;

(b) providing the first base and a first hinge member;

(c) connecting the first base to the first base positioner;

(d) aligning and spacing the first base in a mounting position on the first hinged object with the positioning tool; and

(e) attaching the first base to the first hinged object; and

(f) mounting the first hinge member to the first base.

68. (new): The method of claim 67, wherein attaching the first base to the first hinged object includes fastening a fastener through the first base into the first hinged object.

69. (new): The method of claim 67, wherein the first hinged object is a door or a door frame.

70. (new): The method of claim 67, further comprising the steps of providing the second base and a second hinge member, connecting the second base to the second base positioner, aligning and spacing the second base in a mounting position on the second hinged object with the positioning tool, attaching the second base to the second hinged object, and mounting the second hinge member to the second base.

71. (new): A method of mounting hinge mounting bases to hinged object with a positioning tool comprising:

providing a first hinge mounting base and a second hinge mounting base, the mounting bases connected to one side of a positioning tool comprising a web and held at a predetermined distance from each other on the positioning tool;

placing the positioning tool with connected bases against a first hinged object and a second hinged object;

attaching the first mounting base to the first hinged object; and

attaching the second mounting base to the second hinged object;

whereby the first and second mounting bases are attached to the first and second hinged objects, respectively, at the predetermined distance from each other.

72. (new): The method of claim 71, wherein the positioning tool holds the first and second mounting bases in a substantially parallel relationship to each other.

73. (new): The method of claim 71, wherein the web is flexible, and further comprising the step of pulling the web to a generally flat condition upon placing the positioning tool against the first and second hinged objects before attaching the first mounting base to the first hinged object.

74. (new): The method of claim 71, further comprising the step of severing the web between the first and second mounting bases after attaching at least the first mounting base to the first hinged object.

75. (new): The method of claim 71, wherein the first and second mounting bases are generally elongated.

76. (new): The method of claim 71, further comprising the first and second mounting bases being connected to the positioning tool by a layer of adhesive.

77. (new): The method of claim 76, further comprising a layer of adhesive disposed on the positioning tool on a side opposite the side where the first and second hinge members are connected, and further comprising the step of attaching the positioning tool to the first and second hinged objects by the adhesive disposed on the opposite side.

78. (new): The method of claim 77, wherein the adhesive disposed on the opposite side is double-sided tape.